

OPINION 843

MONOPSYLLUS KOLENATI, 1857 (INSECTA, SIPHONAPTERA):
DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS
AND RELATED MATTERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers:

(a) all designations of type-species for the nominal genus *Monopsyllus* Kolenati, 1857, made prior to the present Ruling are hereby set aside, and the nominal species *Pulex sciurorum* Schrank, 1803, is hereby designated to be the type-species of that genus;

(b) the following specific names are hereby suppressed under the plenary powers for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy:

(i) *sciuri* Kolenati, 1856, as published in the binomen *Ceratopsyllus sciuri*;

(ii) *sciuri* Kolenati, 1857, as published in the binomen *Monopsyllus sciuri*;

(iii) *monoctenus* Kolenati, 1856, as published in the binomen *Ceratopsyllus monoctenus*;

(2) The generic name *Monopsyllus* Kolenati, 1857 (gender: masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1)(a) above, *Pulex sciurorum* Schrank, 1803, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1782.

(3) The specific name *sciurorum* Schrank, 1803, as published in the binomen *Pulex sciurorum* (type-species of *Monopsyllus* Kolenati, 1857) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2228.

(4) The following specific names, as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1)(b) above, are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *sciuri* Kolenati, 1856, as published in the binomen *Ceratopsyllus sciuri* (Name No. 890);

(b) *sciuri* Kolenati, 1857, as published in the binomen *Monopsyllus sciuri* (Name No. 891);

(c) *monoctenus* Kolenati, 1856, as published in the binomen *Ceratopsyllus monoctenus* (Name No. 892).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1709)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Mr. G. H. E. Hopkins in June 1965. Mr. Hopkins' application was sent to the printer on 12 August 1965 and was published on 2 November 1965 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 22 : 250–254. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 184) and to seven entomological serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 1 September 1967 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote

under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (67)40 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 22 : 253-254. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 1 December 1967 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty (20), received in the following order: China, Lemche, Holthuis, Simpson, Vokes, Obruchev, Sabrosky, do Amaral, Mayr, Brinck, Munroe, Bonnet, Alvarado, Boschma, Binder, Uchida, Ride, Mertens, Forest, Kraus.

Negative votes—none (0).

On Leave of Absence—one (1): Evans.

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Hubbs.

Commissioners Tortonese and Jaczewski returned late affirmative votes.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

monoctenus, *Ceratopsyllus*, Kolenati, 1856, *Parasiten der Chiroptern*, Brunn ed.: 32

Monopsyllus Kolenati, 1857, *Wiener entom. Monatschrift* 1 : 65

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sciuri, *Monopsyllus*, Kolenati, 1857, *Wiener entom. Monatschrift* 1 : 65

sciurorum, *Pulex*, Schrank, 1803, *Fauna boica* 3(1) : 195.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (67)40 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 843.

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International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

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